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DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

Atty Docket 82295

As the below-named inventor/inventors, I/we hereby declare that:

My/Our residences, post office addresses and citizenships is/are as stated below next to my/our name/names.

I/We believe I/we am/are the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or the original, first and joint inventors (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Improved Hammer for a Piezoelectric Actuator and Method for Producing Same

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked:

☒ was filed on 26 April 1999, as Serial No. PCT/CN99/00061

and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I/we hereby state that I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 CFR ' 1.56.

I/we hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. ' 119 (a) - (d) or '365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or '365a of any PCT international application which designates at least one country other than the United States, listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT international application, having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Applications:

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I/we hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. ' 120 of any United States application(s), or '365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application or PCT international application in the manner provided by 35 U.S.C. ' 112, first paragraph. I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR ' 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. ' 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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For: Improved Hammer for a Piezoelectric Actuator and Method for Producing Same

VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY
STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c))-SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

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I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third-party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed, to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention entitled **Improved Hammer for a Piezoelectric Actuator and Method for Making Same**, by inventor Tak Chi SHER, described in the specification attached hereto.

If the rights held by the above identified business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

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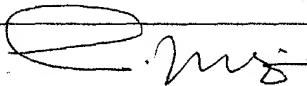
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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small business entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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Tak Chi SHER (President)

(Printed name and title of officer)

Date: 9th April 2001